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Examiner: Deandra M. Hughes

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicant for the above-identified application respectfully Petitions the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to January 16, 2006, from the Final Office Action dated September 16, 2005. The petition filling fee of \$120.00 and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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